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To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Toe Stoppers

I used the toe stoppers for the first time on the 28/01/07 and found them to be most comfortable, safe and steered me to ride two winners. I have used similar devices in the past and they do not even compare with the new Toe Stoppers. As a jockey who rides with his toe in the iron, I found the toe stoppers were able to give me the correct balance and precision I need when aboard a horse.

Having lost a close friend after having his foot caught in the irons after a race fall in New Zealand I feel that these Toe Stoppers aren't just a luxury, but an absolute necessity.

Toe Stoppers should be made compulsive within the Racing Industry and many lives would be saved if riders wore them.

Like most jockeys, I struggle with my weight and those few extra grams that the Toe Stoppers weigh may cause me to be over my weight limit. I cannot comprehend how the Australian Racing Board have not yet allowed these necessary Toe Stoppers to become apart of a jockeys weighing out allowance. Those few extra grams on a race horse WILL save lives.

Congratulations on the fantastic product and I will continue to support these excellent Toe Stoppers.

Paul Hammersley

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